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through the vendee or consignee, the user of the prunes to certify on Form PMC 4.71 the receipt by him of the applicable prunes and to promptly forward the original thereof to the Committee. Such certification shall set forth the location where the prunes were received, the date of such receipt, the name and address of the person who will use or otherwise dispose of the prunes, and the signature and authority of the certificate to act for the user.

(iv) *Certification of usage.* The handler shall cause, either directly or through the vendee or consignee, the user of the prunes to certify, and forward to the Committee, one copy of Form PMC 4.71, following use or disposition thereof, that the prunes have been used or otherwise disposed of, the date and location at which use or other disposition took place, the name and address of the user, the signature and authority of the certificant to act for the user, and the date of his certification.

(3) *Tolerances permitting a deviation in prune sizes from applicable undersized openings—(i) Undersized French prunes.* Whenever an undersized regulation specifies an opening of $\frac{23}{32}$ of an inch for French prunes, any quantity of French prunes disposed of by a handler in compliance with § 993.50(g) shall not contain more than 15 percent by weight of prunes which do not pass freely through a round opening $\frac{24}{32}$ of an inch in diameter. Whenever an undersized regulation specifies an opening of $\frac{24}{32}$ of an inch in diameter for French prunes, any quantity of French prunes disposed of by a handler in compliance with § 993.50(g) shall not contain more than 12 percent by weight of prunes which do not pass freely through a round opening $\frac{26}{32}$ of an inch in diameter.

(ii) *Undersized non-French prunes.* Whenever an undersized regulation specifies an opening of $\frac{28}{32}$ of an inch for non-French prunes, any quantity of non-French prunes disposed of by a handler in compliance with § 993.50(g) shall not contain more than 10 percent by weight of prunes which do not pass freely through a round opening $\frac{30}{32}$ of an inch in diameter. Whenever an undersized regulation specifies an opening of $\frac{30}{32}$ of an inch in diameter for

non-French prunes, any quantity of non-French prunes disposed of by a handler in compliance with § 993.50(g) shall not contain more than 12 percent by weight of prunes which do not pass freely through a round opening $\frac{32}{32}$ of an inch in diameter.

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RESERVE CONTROL

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The reserve obligation of each handler shall be determined by applying the reserve percentage to the weight of prunes in each lot, after deducting the weight of prunes in such lot shown as a percentage on the applicable inspection certificate as necessary to be removed therefrom pursuant to § 993.49(c), in such manner as may be prescribed in such reserve control regulation established for the crop year in which such lot is received by a handler from a producer or dehydrator.

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§ 993.157 Holding and delivery of reserve prunes.

(a) *Sales and deliveries.* Committee sales and deliveries of reserve prunes from the holdings of any handler shall not exceed the quantity of reserve prunes required to be held by him. The reserve prune holding requirement of the handler shall be reduced by the tonnage so sold or delivered.

(b) *Assistance to handlers.* As assistance to handlers, the committee shall furnish each handler a monthly tabulation, beginning as soon as possible after the start of the crop year, showing his reserve obligation and holding requirement based on records on file with the committee.

(c) *Failure to hold and deliver reserve prunes in accordance with reserve obligation.* In the event a handler fails to hold for the committee and deliver his total reserve prune obligation in any category and is unable to rectify such